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RUSH PLANS TO ASK GOVERNMENT'S AID IN CLEARING RIVER

Petition To Be Made To Congress, Asking Removal of All Jetties

TO RECLAIM BOTTOM LANDS ALONG RIVER

Plan Would Prevent Destruction of Crops By Floods — Much Interest

Convinced that the greatest thing Transylvania county can do at the present time is to prevail upon the government to remove the jetties placed in the French Broad half a century ago, and through such removal reclaim thousands of acres of valuable farming lands and prevent further flooding of the fertile valleys, interested citizens are now circulating a petition which is to be presented to congress. The petition prays for adequate funds with which to do this work, basing its claim upon the government's action in placing the jetties in the river, and it is because of these obstructions that the lands have been wasted, crop after crop destroyed, with great loss of livestock and still greater losses in decreased values of land.

Congressman George M. Pritchard is said to look with favor upon the proposition, and it is said he has expressed his wish to do all he can in the matter of having the government do this needed work at an early date.

Petitions are being printed and copies will soon be placed in the hands of citizens throughout the county. Henderson county and Buncombe county have been asked to cooperate because both counties are interested in the matter.

Following is a copy of the petition that is to be presented to the congress of the United States.

The Petition.
"To the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States: Whereas, About the year 1880, or soon thereafter, there was appropriated from the United States treasury certain funds for the purpose of making the French Broad river navigable between the city of Asheville, Buncombe county, and the Town of Brevard, Transylvania county, North Carolina, and

"Whereas, To accomplish said purpose a large number of what is known as 'stone or rock jetties' were built in said river between the points above mentioned, and

"Whereas, Instead of making said river navigable said 'jetties' became obstructions against which logs, trees, sand, mud and other debris accumulated and thereby raised the bed of said river until the valuable farming lands adjacent to said river became wet, swampy and soggy and unfit for agricultural use, and further caused said river to often overflow hundreds of acres of valuable farming lands and destroy the crops growing and being thereon through the counties of Buncombe, Henderson and Transylvania;

"Now, Therefore, the undersigned citizens, land owners and tax payers respectfully petition the Senate and Congress of the United States to appropriate sufficient funds and render sufficient Federal aid to remove said 'jetties,' clean out and dredge said river and lower what is known as Long and Buck Shoals and other small shoals in said river, so as to reclaim the farming lands along the same, and thereby restore to the citizens of said Counties their farming properties in their former productive state;

"Your petitioners would further show that if this petition is granted that the French Broad Valley will at once become the 'Garden Spot' of all Western North Carolina, and in duty bound your petitioners will ever pray."

PARENT-TEACHER GROUP TO HAVE PICNIC MONDAY

A picnic supper will be given by the Parent-Teacher association next Monday afternoon at Rockbrook. All parents and teachers are urged to attend, and are requested to meet at the Elementary school building at 3:30, and bring with them their lunch. Those desiring further information regarding the picnic are requested to communicate with Mrs. J. M. Allison, chairman of the entertainment committee.

SPECIAL SERVICE SUNDAY MORNING

Special services commemorative of Thanksgiving will be held at the Methodist church next Sunday morning at 11 o'clock. A sermon appropriate to the occasion will be preached by the pastor, Rev. J. H. West, and special musical selections will be rendered. This will take the place of a service on Thanksgiving day.

A special offering for the Children's Home at Winston-Salem will be taken at this service, and it is urged by the pastor that everybody come prepared to make an offering for this worthy cause, whether large or small.

COUNTRY EDITORS IN ORGANIZATION

Meeting in Bryson City last Friday, editors of weekly newspapers in Western North Carolina formed an organization, and elected J. O. Barrett, editor of The West Asheville News, as president, and Lyle Harris, of The Franklin Press, as secretary. Another meeting will be held the first week in December, at which time definite plans will be adopted which will, it is believed, prove of tremendous value to the weekly newspapers of the mountain section.

Dr. Clarence Poe, editor of The Progressive Farmer, delivered an address to the newspaper men, explaining many things in connection with the service which country newspapers render to the farmers of their communities.

The weekly papers believe that much good can be had through a close organization and the resultant co-operation between the editors of these weekly papers. It is expected that all the papers of Western North Carolina will be present at the next meeting, which is to be held in West Asheville.

COUNTY LIBRARY TO BE SPONSORED

One of the most interesting and best attended meetings of the Parent-Teacher group said to have ever been held was that of Monday afternoon when an estimated crowd of 200 parents and teachers gathered at the Brevard High School auditorium for the regular November meeting of this organization.

After the calling of the meeting to order by the president, Mrs. H. L. Wilson, devotionals were led by Prof. J. E. Ruffy, followed by the presentation of charades by Miss Puette's class, illustrating points on good literature.

The organization voted to sponsor a circulating library for the benefit of the county schools, and members were requested to donate suitable books from their libraries for this purpose. Miss Kern presented the matter of the health Christmas seals, telling of the national, state and local health work.

The main speaker was Prof. G. C. Bush, of the Rosman schools, who spoke interestingly on the subject of Good Literature.

Following the meeting, the members assembled in the Home Economics room, where members of this department, under the direction of their teacher, Mrs. Pat Kimzey, presented a fashion show of the girls' own handiwork, after which tea and cakes were served.

CHRISTMAS SEALS GO ON SALE HERE

Thirty thousand Tuberculosis Christmas Seals have been received by Miss Florence Kern, Seal Sale chairman for Transylvania county. The 21st annual Christmas Seal Sale will be conducted in Brevard and throughout the county and state from Thanksgiving day to Christmas day. The benefits conferred by the seals sometimes bring health for a lifetime. The sale of Seals makes possible the carrying on of a continuous educational and preventive campaign in North Carolina to fight tuberculosis, and other diseases. This year the eradication of heart disease will receive major emphasis.

It should be remembered that 75 per cent of the funds received are used for local work, 15 for state and 10 per cent for the National Tuberculosis association.

The National association has organized and supports the greatest piece of cooperative research ever known. The laboratories of thirteen universities, the United States Laboratory of Hygiene, and two commercial houses are all studying the tubercle bacillus and hoping to find a cure.

The State association aided the North Carolina Sanatorium by equipping its X-ray laboratory, also by furnishing its milk sterilizing and bottling plant. Established public health nursing in North Carolina and established health education in the schools of the state brought to the attention of the people that 30 per cent of the children were undernourished, helped find them out and demonstrated simple methods of remedying this despoiler of future citizens.

The local association is working especially for the undernourished children. During this year around 2,600 lunches have been furnished these children. A case of incipient tuberculosis in the county has been aided by medical attention, medicine and food.

DR. LYNCH TO TELL OF BIG HUNTING IN CANADA

Dr. G. E. Lynch, recently returned from a big hunt with Randall W. Everett in the mountains of British Columbia, will have charge of the program at the Kiwanis meeting this Thursday. Dr. Lynch has been urged by the members to tell something of the experiences of the Brevard men while on the hunting trip.

LYCEUM NUMBER IS WELL RECEIVED

First of the Lyceum numbers, which was presented last Friday night at the Brevard High School auditorium, proved highly entertaining and of a high class order, and was apparently received with popular favor by the large number of people packing the school auditorium. The entertainment was given by the Ramos Mexican Orchestra, and was presented under the auspices of the Brevard Music Lovers' club, which organization will sponsor the four other numbers of the Lyceum course which will appear here during the winter.

The personnel of the cast included a father and his son and three daughters, all native Mexicans, dressed in the colorful costumes of their native country. The senior member of the cast, Hesiquio Ramos, as director of the orchestra, together with his son, Rafael, as violinist, and the three daughters, who played upon the mandolin, mandocello and other instruments typical of Old Mexico, were all musicians of high rank, and presented a program of variety and rare artistry.

Many expressions of praise from those in the large audience were heard regarding the high class nature of the program presented, and many expressed the belief that this, the first Lyceum number is no doubt a forerunner of the splendid entertainment features that will be given in the other four numbers.

MASONIC LODGE MEETING THIS FRIDAY EVENING

Regular communication of Dunn's Rock Masonic Lodge will be held this Friday evening. Important business is to come before the meeting, it is said, demands good attendance.

NEXT WEEK'S PAPER TO BE PUBLISHED ON TUESDAY

Next week's Brevard News will be printed Tuesday, so as to be delivered in Wednesday's mails. Thursday being a holiday, the paper could not be delivered on that day, hence the change of date. Advertisers are requested to have copy in the office for next week's paper on Monday. Correspondents and those desiring articles in the paper must have their copy in Monday. Please co-operate with the paper in this matter.

SUPERIOR COURT TO START 1ST MONDAY

With 46 cases docketed for the civil term of Superior court, which convenes here on the First Monday in December, in addition to the large number of criminal cases, provides a docket of unusual interest. The criminal docket will be taken up on the first day, and the civil docket scheduled to begin on Saturday, December 7.

Of interest on the criminal docket is the case of Harrison charged with the murder of John Hinkle, this being the only murder case for the term.

Perhaps the most interesting case on the criminal docket is that of Mayor T. W. Whitmire, in a damage suit against J. B. Picklesimer. This case is docketed for Friday, December 13.

The full civil calendar appears in another column in this issue of The Brevard News. The calendar was prepared by the Brevard Bar association in a recent meeting.

NO COUNTY COURT ON FIRST MONDAY

No County Court session will be held until the Third Monday in December, according to an announcement made Wednesday by Judge D. L. English. Superior court convenes here on the First Monday, and because of the attorneys being engaged in cases in the Superior court for each day, Judge English was requested to postpone the County Court until the Third Monday.

All cases that had been set in the County Court for the First Monday are automatically postponed until the Third Monday, which will fall on December 18.

SANTA CLAUS COMING TO BREVARD ON DECEMBER 4

Say, Children, Santa Claus himself, all alive, dressed up and happy, is coming to Brevard Wednesday noon, December 4th. Watch The Brevard News next week!

DRAMATIC CLUB IS NEW ORGANIZATION

Brevard's latest organization is the Brevard Dramatic Club, which organization has been recently perfected, and its members are now at work on their first play production.

The membership of the club is comprised entirely of local people, and its first offering will be "The Sunbonnet Girl," which play will be presented at an early date, to be announced later. Various plays will be presented by this club from time to time, and it is felt that this organization will add much to Brevard's entertainment features.

REPORT OF WORK SHOWS PROGRESS

November meeting of the Business and Professional Women's club, which was held Monday evening at the Blue Moon, was featured by the transaction of important matters of business, pertaining chiefly to discussion of final details concerning the district meeting which will be held in Brevard next Tuesday.

Reports from the various committee chairmen showed that the work of the club in its different departments is progressing satisfactorily, and according to present indications a most successful year in all of the club's activities is in store for the members. The president, Miss Jeanette Talley, is putting forth every effort in behalf of the club, and with the cooperation and support of the members, it is felt that much will be accomplished during the present year.

An interesting part of the program was the second in the series of talks which Mrs. R. E. Lawrence is presenting before the club on the subject of color harmony and the psychology of color. Many helpful facts, discussed in an interesting manner, were brought out, showing the influence of color on the different traits of character, how color possesses weight, heat and forcefulness, and the importance of stimulating contrasts of color values with reference to dress and various types of personalities.

Registration.
Conference called to order by Mrs. Hugh R. Walker, chairman First District.
Devotionals, led by Miss Eunice Simpson.
Group Singing.
Greetings: Miss Martha Boswell Brevard.
Business.
Round Table Discussions: Led by Mrs. Elsie Flake, Vice president, of Winston-Salem.

Program and Public Relations—The Brevard club.
Lookout and Health—The Hendersonville club.
Education and Publicity—Asheville club.
Address—State and National Program—Miss Lena Glidewell, of Reidsville, state president.

Evening Session.
Banquet Toastmistress—Mrs. Inez Zimmerman, Hendersonville club.
Music.
Address of Welcome—Miss Jeanette Talley, president, Brevard club.

Responses—Hendersonville club, Miss Lois M. Moss, president Hendersonville club; Asheville, Miss Roxie Dobson.
Vocal Solo—Mrs. Hugh R. Walker.
Address—The Business of Being a Business or Professional Woman, Miss Lottie Stearns.
Emblem benediction.

B.Y.P.U. CONDUCTED GREAT PROGRAM

Young people of the Brevard Baptist church conducted a program of unusual interest at the regular preaching service Sunday night.

The general theme of "What the B. Y. P. U. means to the young people of the church," was stressed in the various talks presented. In addition to the foregoing remarks on the subject made by the pastor, Rev. Wallace Hartsell, others who spoke on various phases of the B. Y. P. U. work included, Miss Geneva Hill, Miss Helen Stoen, Miss Myrtle Barnett and Miss Mary Frances Biggers, the latter of whom is director of the various B. Y. P. U. organizations. The young peoples' choir added much to the enjoyment of the occasion.

The program was generally pronounced of an unusually splendid nature and was apparently greatly enjoyed by the large congregation present.